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## Celebrating the gift of life

Sammy Terry and his family are really celebrating the holidays this year with Christmas lights and decorations in every inch of their yard and home. Terry was hospitalized in Louisville last year at Christmas awaiting a heart transplant. Doctors implanted a mechanical heart pump in Terry in order to keep him alive long enough for the transplant. He made medical history by being the first patient with a mechanical pump to leave the hospital grounds. Today, Terry is home, back to work and feeling lucky to be alive.

## After making medical history, Floyd man is making the most of his second chance

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

What a difference a year makes. Last Christmas, Sammy and Donna Terry of Martin spent the holiday with their family in a room at the Jewish Inn in Louisville.

Sammy Terry was number one on a nationwide donor list for a new heart. His heart was irreparably damaged by heart disease. He was near death and had many times "been brought back" to the land of the living by medical personnel.

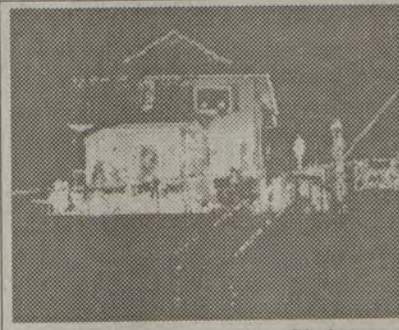
The Terry's and their six children and grandchildren celebrated around a tiny artificial Christmas tree in the Inn owned by Jewish Hospital, which is used for patients

awaiting lifesaving organ transplants. Sammy Terry said he was "just glad to be alive" during that period.

This Christmas, Sammy Terry is the picture of health and recently returned to work at Kinzer Drilling. Also,

the family's surroundings at Christmas this year is a wonder to behold, much like Sammy Terry himself.

Their home in Martin is tastefully decorated inside and out for the



Terry made all of the Christmas decorations at his Martin home.

holiday season and Sammy Terry made the wooden Santa Claus, reindeer and other lawn ornaments which showcase their home himself, after his heart transplant last January.

"She told me what she wanted for Christmas, lots of lights and decorations. And she got it," Sammy Terry laughed, referring to his wife.

Last year it seemed the odds were stacked against Sammy. In

good health until 1990, Sammy, 55, learned that year he had cardiomyopathy, a disease of the heart which can cause the left ventricle to enlarge and which results in inadequate pumping of blood. The cause of the disease is not known.

"He died at Highlands Regional Medical Center," Donna said referring to her husband's first heart attack. "And, they brought him back."

Medication seemed to take care of Sammy's problems until a massive heart attack last September. He was admitted to Jewish Hospital on September 25 and he didn't leave until January 27, 1996.

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## School system money woes may multiply

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Floyd County school board members are looking to cut over \$1 million in expenses--and maybe more--after learning at Tuesday's special board meeting that over \$500,000 in average daily attendance funds will be lost this school year.

Board members began the 1996-97 school facing a \$619,734 deficit and developed a two-year plan, which began in 1995-96, to

eliminate a total \$1 million deficit.

Finance officer Gary Parsons told board members Tuesday that enrollment was down last year by 160 students, which equates to \$540,000 in lost funding this year.

Board Chairman Eddie Patton pointed out the half-million dollar loss in ADA funds would have to be trimmed from the current budget, which means over \$1 million in savings would have to occur this year for the district to remain in the black.

Parsons agreed with Patton and added, "the money lost does not contribute to the deficit."

Patton asked, "does this money have to be made up this year?"

"Yes," Parsons said. The \$37 million budget does not provide for any contingency fund which would set aside monies to be used in the event of an emergency. Nor does the budget include any costs incurred for the continued disruptions at Prestonsburg High School because of false fire alarms and bomb threats.

"This is the second year we have zero contingency," Parsons said. "That's very dangerous." He added he hoped next year the district could have a contingency fund of two percent of the total school system budget.

Parsons took the board through the working budget which reflects cuts in virtually every department. But all employees received 2.6 percent salary increases.

Parsons pointed out that 81.3 percent of the total budget is ear-

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## Accounts differ on how gas spill will be addressed

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

Action Petroleum Inc. will be cited for not reporting a gasoline spill that allegedly posed a threat to the environment and to the citizens of West Prestonsburg, Tuesday, according to Environmental Response Coordinator Joe Schmidt, of the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection.

But, Action Petroleum CEO Tim McDonald said Thursday that the company has not been cited and he doesn't think it will be.

Schmidt said the gas company asserts that the spill should not have exceeded 50 gallons and that the amount is not easy to quantify.

In the meantime, Prestonsburg



### City lights...

Christmas lights were lit up on the West Prestonsburg bridge, one of Prestonsburg's most famous landmarks, last week for the first year. The decoration of the bridge is part of an attempt to decorate the city more each year, Mayor Jerry Fannin said. The Prestonsburg Fire Department worked for several days stringing the lights. (photo by Chris McDavid)

## Time is running out for some getting drug, alcohol benefits

Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

Approximately 100 Floyd County residents will not receive their Social Security benefits next month because their disability is drug or alcohol related.

Congress passed Public Law 104-121, a law that prohibits Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments and Medicare or Medicaid coverage to people whose disability is caused or affected by alcohol or drugs, and that law was signed by President Bill Clinton on March 29.

Jim Kelly, Social Security dis-

trict director for the Big Sandy Area, said Wednesday that he has received numerous calls about termination-notification letters he sent to recipients.

"Some callers say their 'associates' got a letter, but they didn't," Kelly said Wednesday. "They are concerned that they will be affected even though they didn't receive a letter."

A very small percentage of drug or alcohol cases have been identified in the Big Sandy Area, he said, estimating the number of cases to be between 500-600.

In April, Kelly said that more than 41,000 people from Floyd,

Johnson, Martin, Magoffin, and Pike counties receive Social Security and SSI benefits each month, totaling about \$23 million each month.

About 200 cases in Floyd County are identified as drug or alcohol related, Kelly said, but half of those are considered to be severe enough to continue allowing them to receive benefits.

He said that each of the cases that have been terminated are being appealed by the recipients.

"We are not cutting them off with total disregard," Kelly said.

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## Relocation of prison could save big bucks

by Scott Perry  
Times Editor

The prospects for developing a federal prison in the Big Sandy region grew stronger and less expensive this week, adding new potential, as well, to a multi-county plan to bring new jobs to the area.

Both projects, not so coincidentally, will complement another successful joint venture among Big Sandy counties...the regional airport operating near the Floyd-Martin County lines.

Floyd Judge-Executive Ben Hale said this week that federal prison officials associated with the development of that project in Martin County had "almost certainly" decided to relocate the project's site...to property adjacent to the Big Sandy Regional Airport.

That move is significant, from a financial perspective, because it could lower the costs of associated infrastructure development by more than \$1 million.

Hale said the airport area has water service in place and the access road to the facility could be used to service the new prison. The original site, across Route 3 from the airport, would require expensive utility construction and the development of a road.

The prison, which will house nearly 1,000 inmates, is expected to create more than 350 jobs. It is being developed through a joint venture between Martin, Floyd and Johnson counties and the cities of Prestonsburg, Paintsville and Inez.

The prison relocation could

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## City man is arrested for criminal abuse

A Prestonsburg man was arrested Wednesday after he allegedly "inflicted pain and injury to a minor child."

Russell Meade, 26, allegedly abused the child on December 2, according to an arrest warrant filed by Prestonsburg Police patrolman William Petry.

Meade is charged with first-degree criminal abuse.

District Judge James R. Allen entered a not-guilty plea to Meade's felony charge. A preliminary hearing will be held at 2:30 p.m. December 11 to hear testimony in the case.

Meade was released from the Floyd County Adult Detention Center Wednesday on a \$10,000 surety bond, with the restriction that he must "stay away from the children and have no contact with them in any way."

Also Wednesday, two misdemeanor charges sent a Prestonsburg resident to jail for 40 days.

Gay Rizzo, 29, pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia charges Wednesday during arraignments in Floyd District Court.

Assistant county attorney Lance Daniels recommended Rizzo receive 30 days in jail for possession

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### Mended Hearts...

Heart attack survivors and family members gathered at Highlands Regional Medical Center Tuesday night in memory of those who died of heart attacks and for the lighting of the Mended Hearts Christmas Tree. Mended Hearts is a support group for heart attack victims and their families. (photo by Chris McDavid)

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# History

But during his stay at the hospital, he not only clung to life, he made medical history.

Sammy's condition became so critical that doctor's implanted a mechanical heart pump, a "wearable left ventricular system, Novacor," until a donor heart became available. The pump was implanted in his lower stomach and two tubes were attached to his heart to keep it beating.

Sammy wasn't the first person to be implanted with such a device, but he was the first person to ever leave a hospital wearing one.

The mechanical pump helped Sammy become stronger to be able to withstand a heart transplant. A heart became available about a month after he was hospitalized, but doctor's decided he was too weak to survive the operation.

Sammy lived with the device for the next 100 days and Donna soon became an expert in the mechanics of it.

"When we were in the room at the hospital, we kept him plugged up to a monitor," Donna said. "When we went out, we'd take extra

batteries with us."

"She'd tell him she was going to unplug him if he wasn't good," their daughter Debbie Terry joked.

The two ventured out into medical history in Louisville, with a battery pack on his side, for a trip to a mall for some light shopping, complete with a visit to Santa.

"They called us pioneers," Donna said.

When her husband of 35 years was moved to another floor of the hospital, she was the one who showed the nurses how the device worked.

"Some of the nurses had never taken care of a patient with one of those, so they had me helping the nurses," Donna said.

Never leaving her husband's side, Donna had to learn how to rewire the Novacor in case of an emergency, such as if the wires were severed by a car door.

"I had two minutes to rewire it or his heart would stop," Donna said.

Then on January 6--Sammy's birthday--word arrived that a match had been found in Ashland. But, there was another problem to con-

tend with--Mother Nature.

"That was during the blizzard," Donna said. "The hospital had its own helicopters, but they were not strong enough to fly there. So, they had to get a Black Hawk helicopter to go get the heart."

Sammy's new heart was implanted on January 7 and Donna was at the hospital alone.

"The kids couldn't get here that day, but they drove seven hours the next day to get there. All the roads were closed, but they made it," Donna said.

Remarkably, Sammy was on his feet the day after his heart transplant, attended a news conference two days later and he was released from the hospital 20 days later. He could have been released a week earlier, but doctor's had to implant a pacemaker, the couple said.

He returned to work in November, much to the disbelief of his co-workers.

"Every time they look at me, it's like they're seeing a ghost," Sammy said. "I was a heavy equipment mechanic, but now I'm a purchasing agent. At times, I thought I would

never be able to do anything. I had a lot of help. I'm getting better every day."

So this Christmas, the Terry's are going all out, not to try to outdo their neighbors, but to celebrate Sammy's miracle. It's one Christmas they won't forget.

Another thing Donna won't forget is to spread the word about organ donation.

"That's something I'd like to say," Donna said, her eyes filling with tears as she looked at her husband, whose eyes were also moist. "People thinking about being organ donors, don't just sign your driver's license, tell your family. They were dying all around him in the hospital. They didn't give us much to go on. I think it was his willpower more than anything."

The Terry's never knew the donor of Sammy's heart, but they were told the donor's lungs, kidneys and liver were also donated to others in need.

"It's the best gift you could give, the gift of life," Sammy said. "During that time, I had several close calls, I had a rough time but it turned out alright."

So this Christmas the Terry's and their children, Kim Whited, Sandy May, Angie Wright, Debbie Terry, Bobby Terry and Billy Terry, plus grandchildren, Crystal Terry, Shannon Wright, Lane Terry and Justin May, will gather at their Martin home and celebrate the true meaning of the holiday season--life and miracles.

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# Spill

But, McDonald said DES Emergency Response workers who came to the site told him "it wasn't a reportable spill," and that Action Petroleum "handled everything properly."

McDonald added that DES workers told them they "might want to report any spill in the future."

He said the workers at the company are well trained and when the spill was found, "they did what they were trained to do to clean up the mess."

Schmidt would not comment Thursday on McDonald's statements.

Schmidt said that to the best of his knowledge, there is no immediate danger to the public, but there is the potential that residuals may

migrate into the soil, if this has been an ongoing occurrence over the years.

"The imminent threat of fumes and a combustible explosion is over," Schmidt said.

McDonald also said that the "DES gave a scolding for the (Prestonsburg) Fire Department causing a scare."

Fire chief Tom Blackburn said he was not aware of any scolding.

"He's (McDonald) grossly mistaken," Blackburn said Thursday, adding that the fire department has not communicated with the EPA, other than reporting the incident.

"We'll respond to the public needs no matter who it upsets," Blackburn said. "The excuses of us being wrong may be an attempt to cover up something."

After speaking with the fire chief, McDonald contacted the Times Thursday evening to express appreciation about the fire department's response to the incident.

"I felt like the fire department (personnel) did their job well in responding," McDonald said. "It all got blown out of proportion from what it was."

Schmidt said the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection will also assess whether to cite the company for any other violations.

Floyd County DES director Lon May said Thursday that he is awaiting detailed information on the incident.

May said if any action is taken against Action Petroleum it would come from state environmental officials.

Schmidt said the results of the EPA's investigation would be complete within the next few days and the report would be made public.

# Benefits

"And, if someone is genuinely disabled, they're going to be approved during the appeal."

He said when cases are appealed, they go before a judge and judges generally find 50 percent of the time in favor of the appellant.

The review of recipients doesn't just stop with cases involving drugs or alcohol.

Kelly said the Social Security Administration will be reviewing about 3,000 other Floyd County cases over the next 12 months. He added that all cases have to be reviewed every three years.

"This review is to see if disability has continued," Kelly said. "It does not mean that everyone on disability is totally or permanently disabled. It only means they are or have been disabled for 12 months."

He said some people may have been injured in automobile accidents and ruled disabled at the time, but were not injured permanently.

Kelly said those who are no longer physically disabled, but have an alcohol or drug problem will have their cases reclassified as substance-related and their benefits will be terminated.

Kelly said in April that a factor that initiated the changes concerned public and taxpayer outrage across the country that abusers were being paid by the government. "We have had a tremendous increase in reports to the local Social Security office of people using their checks primarily for drugs and alcohol," he said.

"The public is tired of their money providing this type of behavior," Kelly said in April.

# Woes

marked for employee salaries and benefits; 12.4 percent is reserved for fixed costs; and 4.5 percent is designated as discretionary spending, which includes instructional materials and maintenance repairs. He said \$600,000 had been allotted to schools for instruction materials.

Parsons also explained that property appraisal values have been "reduced tremendously" which amounts to lost revenue, but that tangible property assessments have gone up.

Overall, the system is expected to see an \$80,000 reduction in tax revenues this year, Osborne told the board.

Parsons explained that much of the budget was prepared by former superintendent Dr. John Balentine

before his death in October and that central office staff had completed it.

Board member Phyllis Honshell asked if the district's budget committee had assisted in the preparation of the budget.

Parsons explained a budget committee wasn't formed this year and central office personnel had finished preparing the budget.

In order to stay in the line with the district's deficit reduction plan, Parsons said all administrators and principals must be held accountable for holding down expenses; the current hiring freeze should continue; the county's alternative school should be moved to the campus of Martin Middle School; and all expenditures must be monitored.

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# October jobless rate decreases in Floyd

Floyd County's October jobless rate decreased, while unemployment rates for the other four counties in the Big Sandy area were on the rise or remained the same.

Floyd's rate dropped from September's 9.1 percent to 8.6 percent in October, a decrease of .5 percent.

Compared to the October 1995 unemployment rate of 11.4 percent, Floyd's October '96 rate was 2.8 percent lower this year.

In the Big Sandy region, the jobless rate increased from 9.2 percent in September to 9.6 percent in October.

Johnson County's 7.8 percent was the lowest unemployment rate in the area, while Martin County's 12.3 percent ranked as the area's highest rate.

Johnson reported the area's lowest rate in September as well.

Magoffin's unemployment rate was 11.8 percent, while Pike's was 10 percent.

Twenty-nine percent of people who were drawing unemployment benefits in the Big Sandy area in October had worked in manufacturing. An additional 17 percent of

those receiving benefits had held mining jobs, another 17 percent had service jobs, 15 percent had trade jobs and 13 percent were in construction.

Statewide, the rates went up in 67 counties, fell in 44 counties and remained the same in nine, according to the Department for Employment Services, an agency for the Workforce Development Cabinet.

Jessamine County recorded the state's lowest unemployment rate for October — two percent. Other low rates were posted in Fayette (2.1 percent), Oldham (2.3 percent), Bourbon and Scott (2.4 percent each), Shelby (2.5 percent), Garrard and Madison (2.6 percent each) and Bullitt and Woodford (2.9 percent each).

Fulton County's 18.5 percent unemployment rate was the state's highest. It was followed by Cumberland (13.8 percent), Knox (13.7 percent), Martin (12.3 percent), Magoffin (11.8 percent), Harlan (11.3 percent), Elliott and Lawrence (10.9 percent each), Pike (10 percent) and Letcher (9.7 percent).

## Kentucky to receive funding from Department of Justice

U.S. Senator Wendell Ford (D-KY), announced recently that the Commonwealth will receive a grant of \$147,169 from the U.S. Department of Justice's (DOJ) State Criminal Alien Assistance Program.

In addition, Lexington-Fayette County will receive \$62,044 and Daviess County \$10,128, from the program which helps pay the costs of incarcerating illegal aliens who have committed serious crimes and been convicted and sentenced for

their felony offenses.

"I'm pleased Kentucky will be receiving a portion of these funds from the Justice Department to defray the costs of housing these criminal aliens," Ford said. "Nearly two-thirds of the costs will be reimbursed to the various jurisdictions for the money previously spent."

More than \$494 million is being released from the program with a large portion going to border states such as California and Texas.

## Jones graduates from apprentice course

Air Force Airman Raymond M. Jones has graduated from the aircraft fuel systems apprentice course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Students were taught to inspect and repair intricate aircraft fuel systems. Topics included aircraft familiarization, technical publications, fuel system tools, safety and safety

devices, and corrosion control.

He as an honor graduate from this course. Jones is the son of Hershel and Janivee Jones of Garrett. His wife, Teresa, is the daughter of James B. and Rita Green of Mousie.

The airman is a 1989 graduate of Allen Central High School at Eastern.



GED graduates

Inmates at Otter Creek Correctional Center graduated from the GED program. Pictured in the back row, from left, are Tony Isaac, GED instructor, Timothy Collins, William Kemper, Gregory Hammond, Christopher Newton, Elgin May, Ernest Pierce, Bob Sanders, deputy warden of programs. Front row, from left, are Mark Crislip, William Robertson and Antwan Higgins.

## Abuse

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of marijuana, and an additional 10 days for the drug paraphernalia charge.

Judge Allen also placed a hold on Rizzo pending warrants from Johnson County.

In another case, Judge Allen will not allow the complaining witness in a fourth-degree assault case to drop charges against an Allen resident.

Tammy Woods, 25, was arrested Tuesday for allegedly assaulting Rebecca Waddles on December 2.

According to the arrest warrant filed by Waddles, Woods "physical-

ly injured (her) by pulling her hair and punching her in the face."

The warrant indicates that Waddles has witnesses to the altercation.

"I understand the complaining witness is trying to drop this case," Judge Allen said during arraignments Tuesday. "The court will not allow this case to be dropped."

Woods pleaded not guilty to the charge and a pre-trial conference is scheduled at 2:30 p.m. on February 19.

Judge Allen ordered that Woods remain under a \$5,000 cash bond.

## Prison

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have direct implications, too, on a multi-county effort to develop an industrial park near the airport, Hale said this week.

"The fact that the prison could be incorporated into our plans for a large-scale economic development project is an asset," the judge said Tuesday.

Floyd, Pike, Johnson and Martin counties have agreed to pursue the industrial park project through a state program that utilizes coal severance tax revenues.

Hale said new state regulations for that program were issued this week and that county judges in the participating areas were gearing up to submit a proposal by the March

20, 1997 deadline.

"Until the new regulations were issued by the state Cabinet for Economic Development," Hale said, "we really didn't know how to proceed. We've got the criteria now and will move forward as quickly as we can."

A special fund has been created by the state to finance multi-county industrial development projects and revenues are accumulated from coal severance taxes.

The fund, which has grown to nearly \$20 million, Hale said, is restricted for use only on projects aimed at job creation and does not affect individual county allocations.

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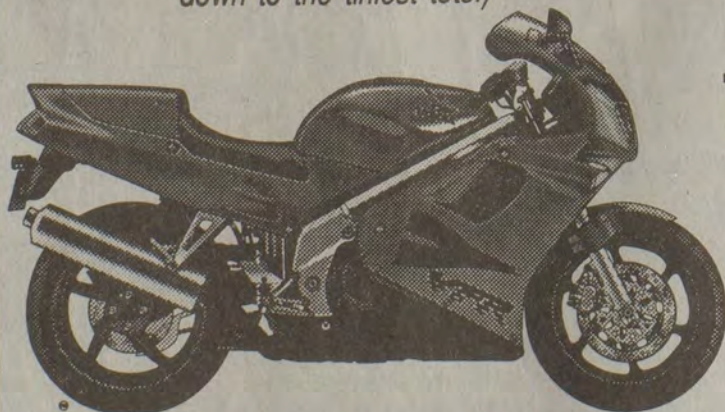
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## Separate but Equal?

by Scott Perry

Should Kentucky's program for vocational-technical education be merged with the state's system of community colleges?

That's a question currently under study by a special Task Force on Postsecondary Education.

This week, the Governor's Council on Vocational Education issued a position paper advising against such a merger.

That was a fairly predictable response, but the council makes a good argument.

We won't get into the fine print, deferring instead to our own observations, made from fairly close quarters.

Vocational education is a critical element to our region's future.

There is not a sliver of land in the whole U.S. of A. that has a greater problem with an undereducated population than does Eastern Kentucky.

Vocational and technical training is, we are convinced, a key ingredient toward solving that problem.

We do not, as are some who are researching the issue, consider the primary issue of merg-

er to be related to cost-effectiveness or duplication between voked and community college programs.

We see these programs as separate and distinct, in their missions and in their student bodies.

Community colleges are here to provide foundations for students who generally intend to pursue college diplomas.

Vo-ed schools are here to provide a different group of students the concentrated education and training they need for hands-on career opportunities.

If some of their coursework overlaps, so what?

Are their classrooms full on their respective campuses?

We'll bet they are.

Merger isn't the answer we propose.

We think vo-ed and community college curriculums ought to be expanded, each in their own special directions.

Separate but equal?

That's a no-no when it comes to civil rights, but it's the way to go for postsecondary education.

Train students for what their futures hold, remembering that some will best make their ways using their heads while others will succeed with their hands.

## Letters to the editor

### Letters to the editor policy

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times. In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author.

Letters must be received no later than 10 a.m. Tuesday for publication in Wednesday's issue and 10 a.m. Thursday for Friday's issue.

Letters may be sent to Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Letters may be edited for clarity and length.

### Concerned mother wants answers

Editor:

I would like to know what is happening to the Floyd County School systems when a child is suspended from school for two days simply for being tardy getting to school.

I could see suspending a child for fighting, taking dope or drinking but not for being tardy, especially when this child belongs to church and works at McDonald's after school and doesn't get in any other trouble.

It doesn't make any sense to me for the school board to holler, attendance, attendance, if a child misses and then suspend a child for two days simply for being tardy; at least he does go to school every day.

I made attempts to get this straightened out thru the superintendent's office where my son's driver was told to go in and talk to the principal, which she called three times and was told that the principal was busy every time she called.

Then they called my son in the office and punished him again for the same thing he had already pulled two days suspension over

and told him he had to stay for after school tutoring. He couldn't stay because he had to work that night, so the assistant principal totally put this child down, and me and his driver, by telling him he had an attitude problem that he must have gotten off of his mother. She told him his driver didn't care anything about him or she would get him to school on time, which was very unprofessional of her to start with.

Chris Gayheart  
Martin

### Patton questioned regarding cannabis

Editor:

Governor Patton, Your Honor, Sir. It has come to my attention that though you have black-lung disease, from inhaling coal dust for 20 years in Eastern Kentucky mines, you haven't let the illness keep you from working. And saying you think cigarette smoking has done more harm is very relevant, but what does it have to do with terminally ill patients in need of a medicine going against the norm of society's understanding?

This medicine helps control

pressure caused by wide angle glaucoma, but those using it risk arrest when they make sneak purchases. Having watched AIDS patients go through an agonizing ending, I wonder why our government can't make legal a medicine that helps with the side effects of treatments? And watching my father die, while taking chemotherapy treatments for cancer, was appalling! Though nothing could have been done to slow the spread of cancer, the legalization of this medicine would have let him consume, and hold down his food. And high moral values prevent many from using an illegal medicine!

Sir, watching your rise to Governor of Kentucky, I'm aware of your commitment to excellence, but you've failed to recognize the necessity of this medicine. Gatewood Galbraith, one of your opponents in 1995, has fought for the legalization of cannabis as a medicine for 20 years. Working earnestly for terminally ill AIDS, cancer and glaucoma patients, he's earned an invite to Frankfort, by you. And why not consider appointing him to a position to make legal this medicine?

Danny Pigman  
Lexington

## The 'Political Party'

### A Closet Conservative?

In their modern definitions, the difference between liberal and conservative is most often thought of as the difference between Democrat and Republican.

In this year's Presidential election, Democrat Bill Clinton promised to use gov-

ernment as a means of improving our lives through such programs as family leave and time off from work to attend parent-teacher conferences.

On the other side, Republicans Bob Dole and Jack Kemp vowed to decrease the number of government-induced encumbrances placed upon American business and American citizens.

Generally, they believed that to improve the economy it is necessary to remove as many restrictions and regulations (i.e. burdens) from business as possible.

Had worker's compensation been controlled on the national level, the Dole-Kemp ticket would have, undoubtedly, revealed a proposal similar to the one Governor Patton has offered the people of Kentucky.

Upon seeing this proposal, Clinton's campaign people would have immediately began spending millions of dollars to tell us how the evil Republican politicians are controlled by the insurance companies and big business, and are out to hurt the working man.

While these differences in economic philosophy may not be as pronounced on the state level, our Governor made it painfully clear upon which side he pitched his political tent.

Louder than anyone, he led the cheers of "We love you, President Clinton!" and "Boat

Newt, Ditch Mitch, and Roll Dole!" Under no circumstances would he back a member of the Republican party.

This leaves me (and I am sure many others) wondering why such a conservative, suppslyside, anti-labor proposal regarding worker's comp has generated from the Governor's office. What would President Clinton say?

What seems to be the most obvious reason given for the reforms is that job growth and economic growth are being held back because of the high cost of workers comp insurance premiums.

But Kentucky's business climate has never been better and, according to Forbes magazine, Kentucky had the highest percentage of job growth in the entire country from 1990-1996! We also hear that East Kentucky coal miners are taking advantage of the current system.

By comparison, in West Virginia 60 percent of black-lung claims are turned down while almost every Kentucky claim is approved.

But West Virginia's government also places a smaller tax burden on their businesses.

Does this mean Kentucky will start reducing the taxes on its businesses? And is it really wise to look to West Virginia for econom-

ic guidance?

The final two arguments advocating the reforms are equally logical. As an example of the first, the Governor is said to have black lung himself, but is still able to work. Unfortunately, there aren't many Governor positions open for East Kentucky coal miners. In fact, Eastern Kentucky has barely felt the impact of the state's miraculous job growth, at all.

If a miner who contracts first-stage black lung is responsible for supporting a family, his options are limited.

He can either move out of the region, apply for workers comp benefits, or go back into the mines. But if these reforms pass, he won't be able to leave the mines until he is totally disabled.

Finally, attorneys are paid well for their part in the worker's comp system, but the system is adversarial by nature, and will always be adversarial as long as money is involved.

Reforms which set out to create an objec-

tive system that provide sufficient money to injured workers and still makes the insurance companies happy are destined to fail. Because of this, lawyers will always be a necessary part of the system—whether we like it, or not.

Changes were made to workers comp back in 1994 and those changes have lowered costs and should be given a chance to continue producing positive results.

So, until there is a legitimate reason given for this most recent proposed overhaul it seems irresponsible to fix something that's not actually broken.

From a purely political standpoint, however, it will be interesting to watch the General Assembly choose up sides over the next couple of weeks. Will the Governor be leading a Republican charge against the Mountain Democrats?

Your input is very important to your legislator. Give him your opinion by dialing the Message Line in Frankfort at 1-800-372-7181.

### EDITORIAL DEADLINES

#### WEDNESDAY EDITION:

Lifestyles, Business, all pictures ..... 5 p.m. Friday  
 Obituaries, Calendar items ..... 10 a.m. Tuesday  
 (Calendar items, reunions, meetings, special classes, will appear in the Wed. & Fri. editions only prior to the event.)

#### FRIDAY EDITION:

News copy, all pictures ..... 5 p.m. Wednesday  
 Obituaries, Calendar items ..... 10 a.m. Thursday  
 Note: News articles of events more than 3 months old will not be published. All copy will be edited for clarity & length.



by David Porter

# Mountain Voices

by Willie Elliott

## THANKSGIVING IS IMPORTANT, TOO

Let's say you got married on Thanksgiving Day of a certain year which happened to be the twenty-third of the month. Would you consider your anniversary to be the twenty-third of the month or on Thanksgiving day no matter what day it fell on? Linda and I got married on Thanksgiving, and I go with that day as our anniversary.

Linda insists that it is the twenty-third. She has her reasons. She says any man worth the salt in his bread will take his wife out on that special day. She is always com-

plaining because I don't take her out, but I take her out to Nanny's as sure as Thanksgiving comes. She says, "That's not the same." Of course it's not the same. It's much cheaper out Nanny's.

Thanksgiving gets a bad rap anyway. As soon as Halloween is over, the Christmas season starts and that pretty much leaves Thanksgiving as chopped liver or some other disgusting meat product. So I figure Thanksgiving is a good day to show our thanks for having each other even though we can't totally agree on the exact date of marriage.

After we argue over the correct

day to celebrate our wedding anniversary, it isn't long until January 6, my birthday. That is old Christmas, you know. Another day that doesn't get its fair share of attention. Not only do I not get a dinner out, but my gifts pale a little since it is so close to Christmas and usually so snowy and cold out that any gift would have to be delivered by EPS (Eskimo Parcel Service). Usually the snow has started by this time and we are home together for a week or longer. I have the upper hand then—she has to cook then. I have heard her on several occasions uttering such things as, "You know I've cooked two meals today." To

assure ourselves of another meal the next day, Ryan and I praise her efforts to high heaven. It's a case of the old adage, "We know where our next meal is coming from."

After a few days of enjoying the time off from school, we will get back on the old argument—exactly when is our wedding anniversary. By then we are actually looking for-

ward to hearing THERE WILL BE SCHOOL IN FLOYD COUNTY TOMORROW ON A REGULAR SCHEDULE. But since I have retired, I will gently remind her, "Be very quiet in the morning while you are getting ready for school. I need my beauty sleep, since I watched all those late movies last night."



The Prestonsburg Office of the Department for Employment Services was honored with a Community Relations Five Star Award from the Kentucky Job Service Employer Committee recently in Lexington. Pictured, from left, are Rhonda K. Richardson, department commissioner; Denny Bowman, JSEC chairman; Debbie Allen, Prestonsburg field office manager; Tom Hereford, regional administrator; and Margaret Whittet, field services division director.

## Prestonsburg Employment Services recognized for community involvement

The Prestonsburg office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services was recognized by an employer group for its involvement in the community and

for promotion of its services. The Community Relations Five Star Award was presented to the local employment services office by the Kentucky Job Service

Employer Committee (JSEC) at a recent meeting in Lexington.

The Kentucky JSEC, representing employers from all areas of the state, advises the state Department for Employment Services on ways to improve services and increase public knowledge of the programs it offers.

The department is an agency of the Workforce Development Center.

The Prestonsburg office was cited for efforts in promoting services through public speaking and television and radio programs and for advertising job listings through television, radio and newspapers. Staff membership and involvement in local community organizations were also recognized.

## WSAZ Foodland team up for holiday food drive

NewsChannel 3 and the region's Foodland Stores have teamed up for Project Restock, a massive food drive to help food banks stock up to meet the needs of hungry families throughout the area. Food donations will be accepted at Foodland Stores Sunday, December 8th, through Saturday, December 14th.

Each Holiday season the demand on area food banks increases and each year it gets harder meeting the needs of those asking for assistance. Food banks need our help. Anyone wishing to donate non-perishable food items can take them to their local Foodland. According to Foodland Advertising Manager Gary Yazell, "We're encouraging customers to take advantage of numerous specials during the week and donate their non-perishable 'free' items to benefit Project Restock."

WSAZ and Foodland are counting on the public's help in making sure that all of our area food banks have plenty of stocked shelves this holiday season and that this is the most successful food drive ever. Food collected through Project Restock will be distributed through

area food banks to the region's needy this holiday season.

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## Cecil receives SMA Scholarship

Southern Medical Association (SMA) recently announced the names of medical students selected to receive medical school scholarships sponsored by the Association for 1996-1997. Each year, SMA awards one-time tuition scholarships to incoming freshman medical students recommended by the deans of the medical schools in SMA's territory. Among those named was Michael Cecil who will receive \$750 toward his medical education. Cecil is currently attending University of Kentucky College of Medicine in Lexington, and is a recent graduate of the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy. He is the son of Homer and Faye Cecil of Harold.

In keeping with SMA's mission to foster the art and science of medicine, numerous scholarships, grants, and loans are awarded each year to eligible medical students and residents. Contributions to SMA's Research Fund can be made by contacting the SMA at (800) 423-4992.

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# Lake Cumberland sweeps state excellence awards in fall conference

Columbia Lake Cumberland Home Health (CLCHH) came up a winner at the 1996 Kentucky Home Health Association Fall Conference, which was held in Bowling Green, November 5-7. CLCHH nominees walked away with three first-place entries in the Kentucky Home Health Association Awards for Excellence in Home

Care. In the Professional Category, Sonja Martinez, CLCHH social worker, was named the winner. Martinez, a CLCHH employee since 1992, was singled out for her extraordinary effort in caring for her clients, which included saving a patient's life by performing the Heimlich maneuver. She was also honored for her dedication to oth-

ers, community involvement, and her creativity and imagination in providing for the needs of CLCHH patients.

Janice Hatfield, CLCHH certified home health aide, was awarded first place in the Paraprofessional Category. Hatfield's commitment to excellence and her ability to function independently as a compassionate, responsible caregiver were highlighted.

Also emphasized were her positive, team-oriented attitude, community involvement, and her commitment to her clients, which inspires her to routinely go above and beyond the call of duty in a multitude of selfless acts of kindness on her patients' behalf.

Sister Marty Conrad, St. Mildred's Outreach Center, who was nominated by CLCHH as Home Care Advocate, also was state winner in that category. Sister Marty has been an invaluable asset to her community and to countless

home-health patients. Volunteer groups organized and directed by Sister Marty have built ramps for CLCHH patients, refurbished their homes, provided for transportation and a myriad of other patient needs.

The KHHA Awards for Excellence in Home Care winners are chosen annually by a celebrity panel of judges in a "blind" fashion, with names and locations of nominees unknown to the judges. This year's judges include: Nancy Laceywell, The Aging Resource Center, Inc., Dr. Richard Salcido, University of Kentucky Department of Physical Medicine and Rehab, and Jeane Robertson, Western Kentucky University Adult Day Health Care.

Columbia Lake Cumberland Home Health provides home healthcare services for people in southern and eastern Kentucky, including Floyd County. The local office is located at 38 North Lake Drive.

## KET to highlight grand opening of arts center

The Mountain Arts Center Grand Opening celebrates the birth of the new arts center in Prestonsburg with an hour of contemporary country music from the Kentucky Opry. Taped at the center in October, the program airs on KET at 8 p.m. Sunday, December 15.

The festivities begin with a formal ribbon-cutting by U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, and quickly shift to a variety concert by the Opry, a 15-member group that uses the center as its home base. The concert covers a mix of music, from old-time gospel to a "Highway 23 medley" of songs done in the style of stars who grew up along or near the famous road.

But the real star of the show is the center itself, a \$7 million facility complete with a gallery for visual arts, a fully-equipped recording studio and a 1,050-seat auditorium with state-of-the-art sound and lighting systems.

"It's a beautiful place," says KET Producer-Director H. Russell Farmer, "very well equipped." Farmer used eight cameras to capture the show onstage.

Greg Crum, the center's programming director, says the center

is heavily booked with all sorts of musical and dramatic performances. Besides hosting the Lexington Philharmonic, the Platters, the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra and the Lexington Children's Theatre, the center will nurture regional artists. Crum says showcases for home-grown talent will be regular offerings at the center. "We feel it's really important to give local artists a chance to perform," he added.

The center became a reality after six years of planning and fund-raising that brought together support from government, corporations and individuals. The Kentucky Opry began six years ago, the brainchild of Billie Jean Osborne, a retired high school teacher who assembled the group with the hope of building interest in establishing an arts center. The Mountain Arts Center Grand Opening captures the enthusiasm of the group as it performs on the new stage. "It's a good hour of entertainment," says Farmer.

The Mountain Arts Center Opening is a KET production, produced and directed by H. Russell Farmer. It is closed-captioned for the deaf and hard-of-hearing.



Healthcare winners

Columbia Lake Cumberland Home Health first-place winners of the Kentucky Home Health Association Awards for Excellence in Home Care include (left to right) Sonja Martinez, KHHA Professional; Sister Marty Conrad, KHHA Advocate; and Janice Hatfield, KHHA Paraprofessional. The awards were presented at the KHHA Fall Conference.

## Regional public forum on forestry to air on WMMT

"Decisions for the 21st Century" will be the topic for discussion at a public forum on forestry to be broadcast live on WMMT, Appalshop's public radio station at 7 p.m., Tuesday, December 10. Public policy issues affecting the Appalachian hardwood forest will be at the forefront for panelists from Kentucky, Virginia and North Carolina. The forum will be held in the Appalshop Theater, Whitesburg, and the public is encouraged to participate either from the floor or by calling in questions and comments to WMMT during the broadcast.

Among the panelists are Dr. William H. Martin, commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Natural Resources; Carroll Smith, judge executive of Letcher County; Matt Dietz, ecologist with the Western North Carolina Alliance, Asheville, North Carolina; Paul Clements, forest engineer with the Virginia Department of Forestry, Abingdon, Virginia; Grant Curry, forester with Trus Joist MacMillan, Hazard; and Sherry Brashear, attorney and Letcher County landowner.

Forum participants will be discussing questions pertaining to the "sustainability" of the Appalachian hardwood forest: What can we do today to ensure that both we and our children and grandchildren can benefit from our forests? What are the obstacles to long-term productive use of the forest, and what can we do to overcome such barriers? How can we as landowners meet our obligations to society, and what role should public policy play in helping us meet our goals? How do policy decisions made here affect the lives and work of mountain

people living in adjacent states? This is the third in a series of public forums on forestry presented by WMMT. The over-arching question for discussion in all three forums has been: "Is There a Forest In Our Future?" The first forum, "Kentucky Voices," explored issues of forest landowners and small scale loggers in Eastern Kentucky and the second forum presented southwest "Virginia Voices" discussing land ethics from the point of view of ecologists, landowners, foresters and loggers.

WMMT's public affairs programming has made sustainable forestry a priority issue in its programming during the past year. According to Rich Kirby, station manager. "Virtually everyone who uses the forests say that sustainability is important, but invariably the word means different things to different people. Today the Central Appalachian forest is at the beginning of a period of timbering activity on a level that has not been seen here since the years around 1900. Most will agree that the massive clear cutting of that era is probably not an example of 'sustainability.' We hope through this dialogue to give proper weight to protection of watersheds and the environment, to wildlife, to tourism, and to esthetics and, of course, to encourage the best returns to the region from use of the forests."

WMMT's news coverage and forums on forestry issues are funded in part by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, the Virginia Environmental Endowment, and by the listeners of WMMT through their contributions to the station.

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# Births

## Registration underway for MSU's CPA program



### Birth announced

Jon and Malissia Hale, of Blue River, announce the birth of their daughter, Allison Taylor, on September 6, at 5:32 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 15 3/8 ounces and was 20 1/2" long. Maternal grandparents are Edgal and Rosalie Shepherd of Prestonsburg. Paternal grandparents are Penny Hale of Blue River and the late Henry Hale.

Registration is underway for the Conviser Duffy CPA Review Program offered through Morehead State University's Department of Accounting and Economics.

Available on the main campus, the class begins Saturday, January 25. It runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each Saturday for 12 weeks. The class will be taught in Conference Room 2 of Waterfield Hall.

The course is designed for accounting professionals preparing to take the CPA examination which is given each year in November and May, according to Dr. L. K. Williams, MSU professor of accounting and review course coordinator.

While a video format, taped two weeks prior to the actual class sessions, is used, an MSU faculty member will provide live supplemental material.

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Also four of the "Big Six" international accounting firms use the Conviser Duffy books, materials and software.



### Birth announced

Thomas and Wilma Shepherd of Prestonsburg announce the birth of their new baby girl, Zoey Brooke, born August 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces and was 21 inches long. Her paternal grandparents are Donnie and Bonnie Shepherd of West Prestonsburg. Her maternal grandparents are Ancil and Wanda Miller of Auxier Road. Her god parents are Philip and Kaye Allen of Abbott Road.

## RN POSITION AVAILABLE

Pikeville Methodist Hospital has an RN position open in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). An associate's degree in nursing is required, a bachelor's degree in nursing is preferred. Current KY Registration Nurse Licensure, CPR Certification and NALS Certification are required. One year clinical experience is also required for this position.

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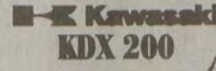
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# Local students included in Who's Who

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Who's Who students compete for \$150,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's annual opinion poll of teen attitudes. The book is distributed to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country.

Students from Floyd County, listed by residence, are:

**Allen:** Jill Compton, Ginger N. Hall, Ronnie J. Fannin and Rebekah R. Hunt.

**Auxier:** Stephen C. Farler, Lisa K. Johnson, Jessica E. Music, Valerie A. Stratton, Jennifer L. Greathouse, Karra B. Lafferty and Paul Richmond.

**Banner:** Susan D. Conley and Ashley N. Walker.

**Betsy Layne:** Kimberly Denise Ratliff.

**Bevinsville:** Kristie M. Blevins, Tara R. Newman and Gregory K. Johnson.

**Blue River:** Melissa Barrowman, Charles B. Slone, Kelly M. Campbell and Crystal D. Thornsberry.

**Bypro:** Katy B. Moore.

**Dana:** Christopher Alan Kidd, Jonathan R. Smith and Amanda L. Rowe.

**David:** Jaclyn R. Cundiff.

**Drift:** Brandi E. Hall.

**Dwale:** Jennifer M. Adkins and Trina N. Yeary.

**East Point:** Missy G. Blackburn, Kindra D. Horne, Eliza Kendrick, Misty D. Powers, Jeremy T. Watkins, Leah Daniels, Elizabeth E. Jarrell, Melanie Mullins and Roy E. Sturgill Jr.

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**Endicott:** Jason Blackburn and Jill Conn.

**Garrett:** Critina G. Bays, Hannah C. Halbert, Carolyn Ousley, Jonathan B. Scott, Le Ann N. Turner, Vylanda C. Turner, Brittany D. Francis, Elizabeth Hoover, Joseph R. Owens, Kyle E. Turner, Leann Turner, and Amanda L. Wallen.

**Grethel:** Jason Collins.

**Gunlock:** Tenessa Fletcher.

**Harold:** Natasha L. Clark, April M. Meade, Elizabeth A. Lawson and Deanna M. Spears.

**Hi Hat:** Brandon C. Elswick, Larry W. Wilson and Tina N. Newman.

**Hippo:** Johnathan A. Goble, Drema Kilgore, and Pamela S. Goble.

**Hueysville:** Jami M. Banks, Allison R. Conley, Wesley Howard, Amanda L. Mullins, Tara E. Shepherd, Chanda Stephens, Karen Wallen, Kelly E. Combs, Traci D. Gibson, Jeannie D. Hughes, Nathan

L. Sexton, Vanessa Shepherd and Shawn K. Tussey.

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**Langley:** Jennifer M. Brown, Greta M. Halbert, Rodney B. Hicks, John Christopher Moore, Amanda K. Rowland, Joanie L. Salisbury, Stephanie Sexton, Jerry L. Stanley, Paul M. Hagans, Deedra N. Hamilton, Jason McGuire, Andrea L. Patton, Jessica D. Salisbury, Susan M. Scarberry, Stacy A. Slone and Matthew L. Wells.

**Ligon:** Jeremy C. Parsons.

**Martin:** Jessica N. Bailey, Brent A. Blake, Misty D. Conn, Regina D. Frasure, Amy S. Howard, Jessica Bartrum, Travis Buskirk, Kellie Dingus, Jeana Hall, Adam E. Hutchinson, Allison Johnson, Dennis E. Mayo II, John V. Patton, Shelley R. Ward, Monica Majmunder, Patricia G. Meadows and Regina Sexton.

**McDowell:** Jessica L. Frazier, Tami Osborne, Amanda N. Slone, Brandon Stumbo, Benny Sword, Kristi Jones, Wendy Shepherd, Shannon Slone, Stacia A. Stumbo, and Brandi R. Tuttle.

**Melvin:** Michael J. Akers and Ronald B. Tackett.

**Minnie:** Steven Hamilton.

**Prestonsburg:** Melanie S. Aiken, Jeanie M. Branham, Lindsay Caldwell, Michael E. Castle, Heather L. Collins, Ashley

Derossett, Cori M. Duty, Jenna L. Fannin, John G. Hale, Martin E. Hall, Rhiannon Hedrick, Pete B. Howard, Rebecca A. Johnson, Michelle Jordan, Renee C. Keathley, Amberly D. Leslie, Jeneine V. Maines, Stephanie May, Wesley McGuire, Novella L. Miller, Joyce M. Music, Corey L. Ousley, Youth Potter, Ricky Ranham Jr., Andrea J. Reynolds, Jesse C. Robertson, Gena C. Robinson, Matthew S. Slone, Jimmy D. White, Amy Williamson, Adam J. Bailey, Samantha A. Branham, Amanda D. Cantrell, Michael H. Clark, Aaron Damron, Autumn G. Dobson, Pamela Susan Fannin, Susan L. Gearheart, Ann E. Hall, April D. Hardy, Wes A. Holland, Ginger M. Johnson, Brian E. Jones, Renee C. Keathley, Chaddi L. Laferty, Lenny J. Little, Meredith G. Majakey, Kristi A. McGarey, Chad R. McKinney, Lisa A. Muncy, Angela Nichols, Charles J. Porter, Misty Price, Amanda B. Ratliff, Clarissa R. Risner, Camille Robinson, Madelyn F. Schoolcraft, Marie A. Ward, Deana Williams and Christopher L. Wireman.

**Stanville:** Amanda Boyd.

**Teaberry:** Misty K. Parsons.

**Wayland:** Caroline J. Bradley, Kathryn K. Fultz, Penny Moore, Shawna L. Coburn, Sabrina C. Harris, and Byron V. Patton.

**Weeksbury:** Jason P. Damron and Heather W. Woods.

**Wheelwright:** Alicia E. Hall and Shonequa Oden.

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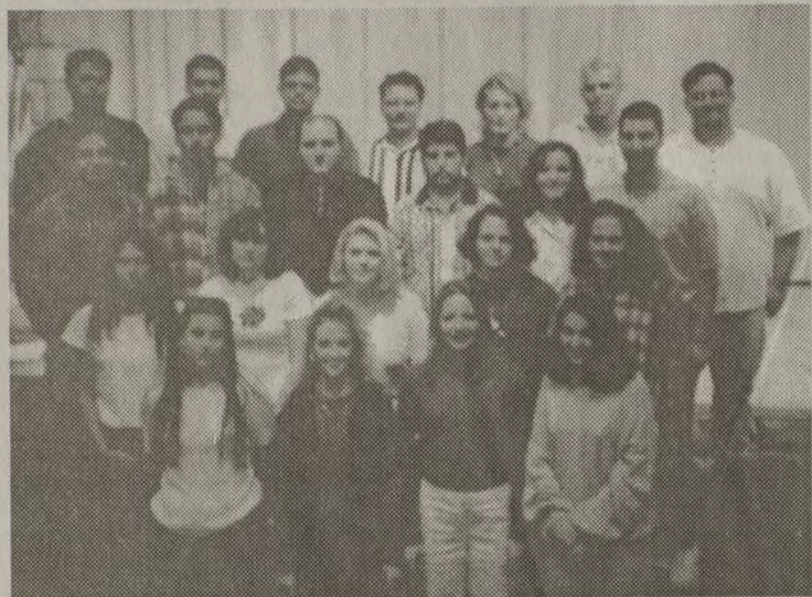
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## Alice Lloyd College's top scholarship recipients

Bill Melton, director of admissions at Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes, recently announced the recipients of the school's prestigious Memorial Scholarship for the 1996-97 academic year.

The Memorial Scholarship guarantees the recipient tuition, room, and board for the school year. The Memorial Scholarship is the equivalent of an annual grant to the student of \$9,040.00 and identifies the student as among the brightest and best future leaders of Appalachia. As long as the student maintains a 3.0 grade point average and takes at least 15 hours of coursework per semester, the Memorial Scholarship is renewed yearly until graduation.



**Scholarship recipients**

The following students were among those who received the Memorial Scholarship at Alice Lloyd College: In order, left to right, bottom row, Amy Crum, Shawna Coburn, Angelia Neeley, Carolyn Jones. Second row, Nikki Reid, Brandie Ousley, Amanda Wright, Camille Robinson, Chris McKinney; Third row, Wes Holland, Matt Crawford, Patrick Collins, Jeffrey Case, Donetta Martin, Christopher Bailey. Top row, Colin K. Dingus II, Ryan Jones, Jamey Johnson, Brad Moore, Myra Patton, Anthony T. Yonts, Shane Dutton.

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## Telecommuting service to get ARC grant

U.S. Rep. Harold "Hal" Rogers has announced that the Appalachian Regional Commission has awarded \$200,000 to Big Sandy Telecommuting Services to expand the organization's "televillage" program. The televillage program provides a variety of regional, public and private telecommunications services to citizens in Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Martin and Magoffin Counties.

Rogers said the grant will pay for line upgrades, computer training and new staff, allowing the program to expand services to individuals, businesses, schools, and public sector agencies.

"This project is bringing modern telecommunications tools to our mountain communities, which are essential for improving education and job training opportunities," said Rogers.

Rogers said the project will provide internet training, access to online services, teleconferencing and other electronic communication training and services.

In addition, the project will encourage partnerships with area hospitals to advance the use of telemedicine.

"This is just another example of how we here in Southern and Eastern Kentucky are using the technology of today to overcome old barriers and make our region a place to do business," Rogers said.

Rogers is the vice-chairman of the House panel which provides funding for the ARC.

## Coal mines win regional awards

At the Kentucky Coal Association's annual meeting, regional awards were presented for the coal mines with the best reclamation.

The Kentucky Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement and the Kentucky Coal Association presented jointly-sponsored reclamation awards, recognizing the best reclamation in each of the department's five regional offices. Commissioner Carl Campbell made the presentations to the following:

- Pine Branch Coal Sales, Inc., Permit #497-0127 in the London Regional Office.

- Premier Elkhorn Coal Company Permit #836-0373 in the Pikeville Regional Office.

- Gatliff Coal Company, Permit #918-5137 in the Prestonsburg Regional Office.

- Coal-Mac Inc., Permit #898-0219 in the Prestonsburg Regional Office.

- Peabody Coal Company, Permit #889-0007 in the Madisonville Regional Office.

In addition to the reclamation awards for each regional office, Golden Oak Coal Company, was given an overall reclamation award for reclaiming an abandoned mine site into a baseball field for the city of Fleming-Neon.

## Price corrected

The price of the holiday card art, signed and already matted and framed, that will be available at Prestonsburg Community College's Open House, December 11, is not \$50; the price is \$30 each.

The holiday card will feature a print of an original painting by Tom Whitaker, PCC professor of art, of the college Riverwalk Gazebo.

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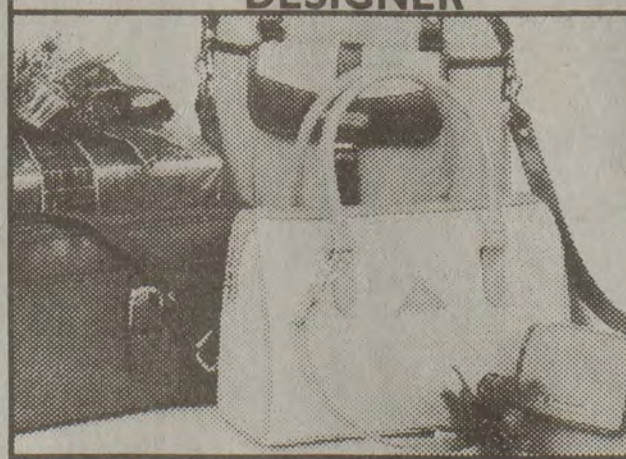
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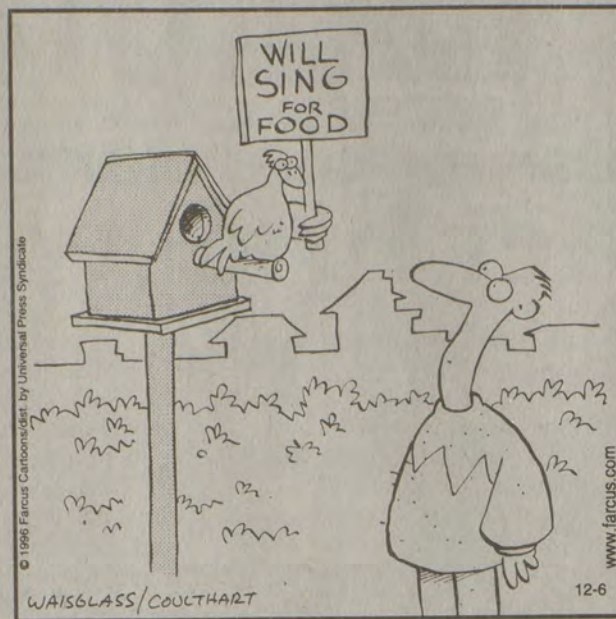
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by David Waisglass  
Gordon Coulthart



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## R.F.D. by MIKE MARLAND



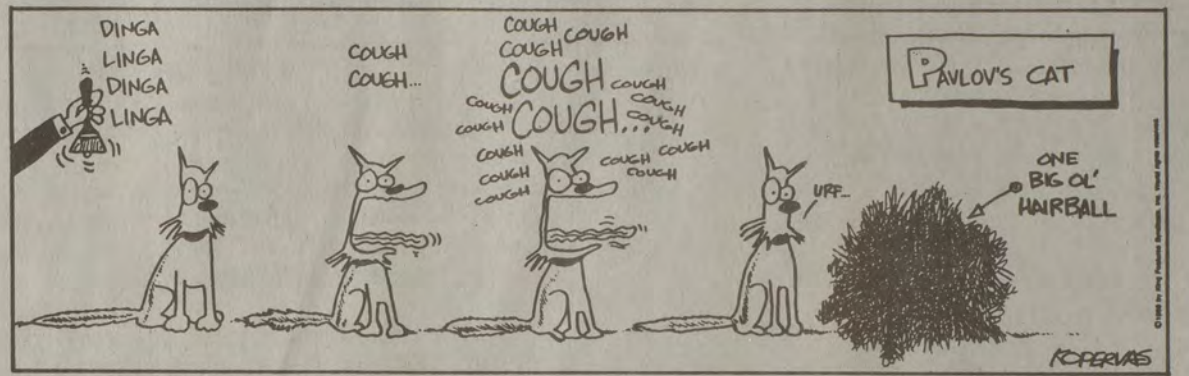
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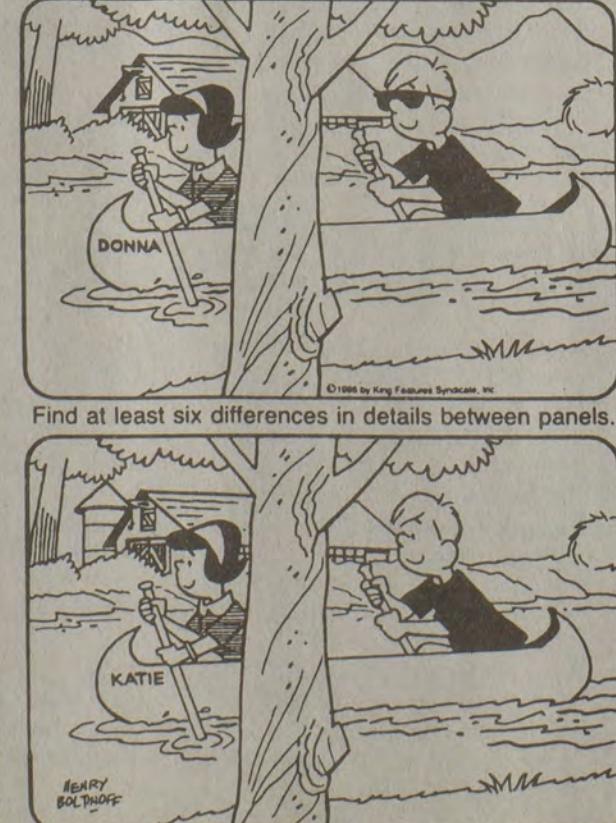
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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## Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

## Super Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Word before set or stream
- 4 Indistinct
- 7 It's good to have around the house
- 12 Gecko or iguana
- 18 British beer
- 19 Northwestern st.
- 20 Immemorial
- 22 Milano's locale
- 23 Actress Farrow
- 24 Stephen of "Ready to Wear"
- 25 Lew Archer's creator
- 27 Needlepoint design
- 30 Formal headgear
- 31 Lea ladies
- 32 "I — Rock" ('66 song)
- 33 Rind
- 36 Novocaine target
- 39 Morse's creator
- 43 Corinthian consonants
- 47 Composer Orff
- 48 Monkey or minuet
- 49 Be human
- 52 Inventor Otis
- 54 Help
- 55 Blanc or Ott
- 56 Kinsey
- 57 Millhone's creator
- 58 Door decoration
- 62 Place of refuge
- 65 Damage
- 66 Ward (off)
- 67 Unpleasant test
- 69 Emcee's site
- 71 Playwright Eimer
- 74 Fernando of "The French Connection"
- 75 Sam Spade's creator
- 79 Religious abbr.
- 82 Aga —
- 83 Swarm (with)
- 84 Repeat performance
- 87 Faction
- 89 Swell place?
- 91 Comic Carvey
- 93 Prosper
- 95 Roderick Allyn's creator
- 99 Shady character?
- 101 Pianist Cliburn
- 102 Soprano Stich-Randall
- 103 Ring stat
- 104 '87 Peace Prize winner
- 106 Curve
- 107 Actor Howard
- 109 Brother Cadfael's creator
- 112 Less conventional
- 115 See 68 Down
- 116 "The truth at last!"
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- 45 Fall flower
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- 47 Cornfield cry
- 50 Pirate's quaff
- 51 Supply new weapons
- 53 Artist Warhol
- 57 Dirt
- 59 Total
- 60 Furniture wood
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- 72 Canadian coin
- 73 Decorate glass
- 76 Motionless
- 77 Aida's rival
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- 79 "— It Romantic?"
- 80 German philosopher
- 81 Cow, in a way
- 85 Mississippi or Missouri
- 86 Edith of "Tom Jones"
- 88 TV's "Family —"
- 90 Request
- 92 Lurie or
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## News of the Weird by Chuck Shepherd

— In October, officials at Calgary (Alberta) Correctional Centre discovered that a 20-year-old man due to be released in mid-November had used newspapers to compile a list of more than 150 homes as targets he intended to burglarize once he got out. And in November, the Minnesota Department of Corrections discovered 52 pages' worth of demographic data on girls aged 3 to 12, recently gathered from hometown newspapers, in the computer of a convicted pedophile who works in a prison-sponsored telemarketing business inside the Lino Lakes correctional facility.

— On Oct. 21, the "CBS Evening News" aired a confidential videotape of an Iraqi wedding reception in which members of a cult of Sunni Muslims performed a series of severe self-mutilations to demonstrate their devotion to Saddam Hussein. While Saddam's sons Oday and Qusai looked on approvingly, the men stabbed themselves in the abdomen with swords and impaled themselves on long skewers, and one man tore a hole in his stomach with a gunshot. CBS's Middle East experts

said the footage was authentic.

— Michael McLean began a 14- to 42-year prison sentence in New York in September for a string of 14 burglaries in posh neighborhoods in Brooklyn and Staten Island, including the homes of several crime family leaders. The daughter of the late Gambino family boss Paul Castellano was at one time so alarmed about the burglaries that she hosted a neighborhood crime-watch meeting in the Castellano home. McLean was arrested at about the time the families had pieced together his identity through informants and had notified him that they wanted their stuff back; McLean now claims not to be concerned about whether he will be killed in prison.

### ELECTION RECAP

— Republican Mark Althouse, 24, lost his bid for the state legislature from York, Pa., despite promising voters that he would regard a victory as a mandate to end his virginity and marry his girlfriend, Michelle Taylor. And Michael Gubash lost his state Senate bid in Minnesota, though he had had the foresight to create a fallback position in his campaign ads stating that, by the way, he was "also seeking a faithful, devoted, obedient, God-fearing woman to be my wife."

— In September Frederico the Goat, who as a protest candidate had been leading in public opinion polls in the

race for mayor of the northern Brazilian town of Pilar, was mysteriously poisoned, allegedly, according to his owner, by a political opponent.

— In October in Stuttgart, Germany, shortly before a televised mayoral debate, candidate Udo Bausch, who had not been invited because he had no realistic chance of winning, walked into the debate auditorium and severed the television cable with an ax.

— Voter apathy registered 100 percent in a ballot question in northern Florida to determine whether Dutton Island would be annexed to the city of Atlantic Beach: Only one person was eligible to vote, and he stayed home.

— At least six women in the eastern Noakhali district of Bangladesh, who voted for winning candidates in the June 12 elections against the will of their husbands, reported a few days later that their husbands had sent them back to their parents' homes and had begun divorce proceedings.

— In September, Mickey Kalinay, 43, was defeated in the Democratic primary for the U.S. Senate in Wyoming, despite his tantalizing proposal to make the space program more efficient by constructing a 22,000-mile-high tower so that space stations can be accessed by electromagnetic rail cars.

(See *Weird*, page five)

## Popperri

by Scott Perry

Warning, portions of this column may just gross you out.

The debate over workers' comp reform is getting down to discussions over what it should cost for an arm and a leg now that everyone has agreed that employers are already contributing one of each in their premium payments.

Does that mean employers can file for workers' comp benefits strictly as a result of paying insurance premiums?

No, silly.

When something costs you "an arm and a leg," that is just a figure of speech. It's a more polite way of saying "@#%\$&^\*%, that costs too &^%#@ much!"

Down in Frankfurt, where they decide important stuff...like whether naked women should stand still while they are putting...the issue at hand is, well, hands.

You know, real ones. Those things at the ends of your arms.

Actually, the discussions are about what hands are worth should they become detached from your arms.

The Gov's plan says everybody's hands are of equal worth, apparently basing that judgement on the U.S. Constitution, which reads (section 9, paragraph four)..."No capitation...shall be laid, unless in proportion to the Census..."

Capitation, or more specifically, de-capitation, generally applies to the loss of one's head, and we thought we were talking hands here.

Well, we are, and that's where the opposition comes in to Patton's plan.

Critics say everybody's hands are not necessarily of equal value and compensation for losses ought to be based on actual worth.

A violinist, for example, should get more money for his hand than, say, a mere fiddle player.

Much of the debate centers on values as they pertain to the difference between blue collar workers and white collar workers, but we don't know why the color of a guy's shirt has anything to do with it.

After all, if you get a hand cut off, your shirt...at least the cuff...is going to be the same color no matter what your job is.

But, confusing things like these are why we elect people to represent us in government. They are paid to decide what our body parts are worth and we think they need to hurry up and do it.

Otherwise, this special session is going to cost us taxpayers an arm and a leg.

## Critic's Corner

by Michael Greene

### Ransom

Are you looking for heart-pounding, edge-of-your-seat suspense and excitement? Then this is the flick for you!

Mel Gibson stars as Tom Mullen, an airline executive who's the owner/operator of Endeavor Airlines. Tom is an ex Vietnam pilot and a "poor boy made good." Having built his airline up from ground zero, he is now tremendously wealthy and successful.

His personal life is just as good. He's married to a beautiful socialite named Kate (Rene Russo) and they have a wonderful 11-year-old son named Sean (Brawley Nolte, real-life son of Nick Nolte).

When Sean is kidnapped, Tom and Kate are in a living nightmare. The FBI steps in and takes charge of the Mullens' lives, camping out at their Manhattan penthouse and bugging the phones. The kidnapers want \$2 million in ransom, and the head FBI guy on the case, Hawkins (Delroy Lindo), advises Tom to go along with it. At first, Tom agrees. However, it soon becomes clear to him that the kidnapers are simply toying with him and he changes his mind.

Shockingly, Mullen makes an appeal on television that instead of paying the \$2 million in ransom to the kidnapers, it will be paid as a reward to whoever helps bring the criminals to justice. Mullen has decided his son will be killed no matter what, so he figures he has nothing more to lose. This unexpected move throws the kidnapers into complete disarray.

This flick is a stunner, clearly deserving of four stars. Ron Howard, having long ago proven himself as one of Hollywood's top directors, has surpassed even his best work to date. This thriller is so exciting and suspenseful, you'll feel as though you ran a marathon when the movie finally ends! DON'T MISS IT!

# Extra

The Weekend

## Shallow Creek to be guests at Appalfolks of American Celebration

The 11th Anniversary Celebration of Appalfolks of America Association (AAA) will feature a performance by the Lew DeWitt Junior Virginia Opry with its special guest band, Shallow Creek, on Saturday, December 7, at the Stonewall Theatre at 8 p.m.

WKEY radio station of Covington will broadcast live from the historic Stonewall Theatre (circa 1905), and a special promotion entitled The Giving Tree will feature a Christmas tree on stage. The Giving Tree will hold envelopes with announcements of donations made by individuals, companies, businesses, corporations, and clubs to AAA in support of the operation of its programs and the operation of the historic theatre.

Shallow Creek has been named Virginia's Youth Entertainment Group of the Year, and the bluegrass band that is made up of Mark Hudson, 13; Jason Flinchum, 14; Jeremy Stephens, 12; and Travis Fitzgerald, 13; has been featured on The Good Morning America Show. The boys who hail from the Dry Fork area near Lynchburg sing and play the following instruments: guitar, banjo, mandolin and bass.

The Lew DeWitt Junior Virginia Opry is composed of more than 30 students in grades one through college from several counties in southwest Virginia and eastern West Virginia. Former Statler Brother replacement for Lew DeWitt, Bob Campbell, performs with the Lew DeWitt Junior Virginia Opry and serves as its artistic director.

Campbell sang with the Statler Brothers on three tours with the Johnny Cash Show during the 1960's and he grew up with and remained friends with DeWitt throughout DeWitt's life. Currently, Judy DeWitt, Lew DeWitt's widow, and Dr. Dan Nix serve as honorary spokespersons for the Lew DeWitt Junior Virginia Opry.

AAA owns and operates the historic Stonewall Theatre, and the Lew DeWitt Junior Virginia Opry is an AAA outreach that promotes drug-free living, develops young talent in the fields of music and dance and showcases that talent.

M. Ray Allen, founder and president of AAA, said, "For ten years now, AAA has served the people of the Alleghany Highlands specifically and southern Appalachia generally to make southern Appalachia a better place to live; December 7, will mark yet another year of outstanding service as a community service organization."

Advance tickets for students are \$2 compared to \$5 for adults, and tickets at the door are \$3 and \$6.

Information concerning the celebration and reservations may be obtained by calling Olde Forge Travel at (540) 862-1234 or the Stonewall Theatre Box Office at (540) 863-9606.



Shallow Creek Bluegrass Band

## I don't want her big toe

An old wives' tale says that, "If the toe next to your big toe is longer than your big toe, you'll be the boss in your family." If that old adage is true, my friend Jean should be ruler of the world.

As long as Jean and I have been friends, I'd never really looked at her toes. I've rubbed her feet while she was wearing socks, assisted her in working crossword puzzles, helped her move furniture and consoled her during many, many illnesses. However, I'd never had the opportunity to examine her toes. If I had, our friendship might never have gotten off the ground.

This past Thanksgiving provided an opportunity for me to scrutinize her metatarsals.

As Jean lay on the bed, while everyone else was in through the house eating at different locations, she remarked that her hose had a hole in the end of it. As I glanced down, I observed with surprise the oddest looking appendage that, to my knowledge, had ever been attached to a foot.

"My Lord, Jean! Is that your toe?" I exclaimed.

"Yeah. Got another one just like it on the other foot," she replied.

I was sickened, yet mesmerized by the size of Jean's second toe. It was approximately an inch longer than her big toe and stuck out like...well, a sore toe. A really bad sore toe.

"Oh, I can't believe it! How did it happen? Smash it?"

"No. I was born with toes just like my daddy's."

"You mean your toes have always been like that?"

But you married."

"Haven't you heard. Some people have foot fetishes," she laughed.

It would take a really sick person to be enamored by those toes. "Come with me and show everybody else your toes!" I said, excitedly, as I dragged Jean through the house. "Hey, everybody. Come and look at Jean's toes!"

"Oh!" My sister-in-law shouted. "I've lost my appetite."

"The turkey leg I just ate was smaller than that," my sister laughed.

"You can paint a face on it and have a puppet show," my nephew remarked.

Jean replied that she did polish the joint next to her big toe when she went to the beach so her toe wouldn't be quite as noticeable, but mostly she used it to paddle. "It's not the worst thing in the world, I can wear those pointed toe shoes very well."

"Don't show it to J.R.," I cautioned her. "It will make him sick."

"Oh, no!" She exclaimed. "You've made me show it to everyone else. J.R. will just have to bite the bullet."

"It might traumatize him so bad it will mark his first child," I answered.

"That's an old wives tale. Things don't mark unborn children."

"Well, a boa constrictor must have frightened your mother when she was pregnant. How do you think you ended up with toes like that?"

"I told you, I inherited them."

If the old wives' tale is true, and Jean passes her toes on to her children, there's a possibility that her grandchild might become the next president.

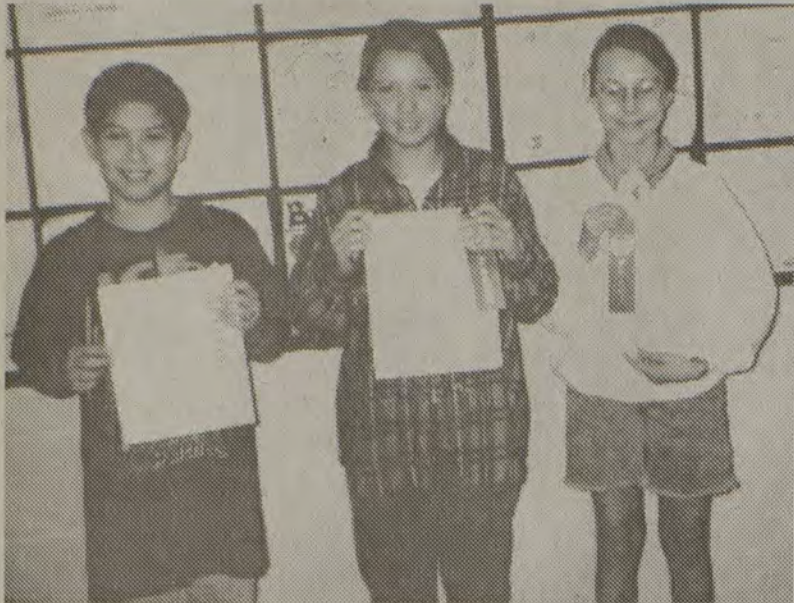


Smile Awhile

Sara Hopson



# Academics



## Martin Elementary announces honor roll

**Essay winners**  
Winners of the Champions Against Drugs Essay Contest at Adams Middle School were Stephanie Webb, first place; Becky Nelson, second place; and Josh Ochala, third place. Sarah Hill was the champion of the competition.

**(1ST GRADING PERIOD)**  
**DAMRON (4th) 3.5-3.99**—Matthew Johnson, Britta Spurlock, Brandon Carroll, Felicia Blanton. 3.0-3.49—Kayla Crace, Cody Carroll, David Kilburn, Sylvia Ramey, Nicole Amburgey, Justin Moore, Daniel Ratliff, Stephen Crisp.

**MAYO (4th) 3.5-3.99**—Brandy Parsons, Kim Osborne, Joslyn Moore, Ashley Gunnell, Justin Frasure, Evan Farmer. 3.0-3.49—Nicole Adkins, Amber Swope, Cody Harlow, Tabitha Brown, Joanie Hall, Freddie Hunter.

**MRS. FARMER (5th) 3.5-3.99**—David Hicks, Nikita Thornberry, Kristie Robinson, Dustin Hancock. 3.0-3.49—Kyle Hicks, Veronica Harris.

**MRS. R. MAYO (5th) 3.5-3.99**—Rachel Buskirk, Tabitha Caudill, Nikki Hackworth, Justin Hall, Maggie McCoy, Brittany Napier, Recca Conn, Melinda Ramey. 3.0-3.9—Shane Allen, Drew Lance, Terry Moore.

**MR. MARTIN (6th) 3.5-3.99**—Brian Hicks, Sabrina Howell. 3.0-3.49—Trista McKinney, Stephen Goble, Brandy Carroll.

**MRS. DUNCAN (6th) 3.5-3.99**—Maggie McCoy, Jeni Jo Spurlock, William Bentley, Stacy Gregory. 3.0-3.49—Amy Miller, Kayla Adkins, Carla Dudley.

**MR. HOPKINS (6th) 3.0-**

**3.49**—Heather Ward, Stephanie Halbert, Amanda Rose, Heather Miller, Angel Bradley, Jaclyn Martin, Shellie Hayes.

**MRS. COMBS (7th) 3.5-3.99**—Marla Howard, Jared Harlow, Keri Dingus. 3.0-3.49—Abrosia Cox, Allison Hackworth, Brenan McKinney, Tameka Moore.

**MRS. LAYNE (7th) 4.0**—Amy Mast, Crystal Williams. 3.5-3.99—Matt Hagans, Jason Holbrook, Tabitha Collins, Samantha Stephens, Crystal Spears, James Hoover. 3.0-3.49—Nikki Steffety, Jaclyn Brown.

**MR. HANDSHOE (8th) 3.5-3.99**—Polly Conn, Brandy Everage, Allison Hancock, Justin Martin, Kelly Sturgill. 3.0-3.49—Henry Napier, Jennifer Newsome, R.J. Ramey.

**MR. DEROSSETT (8th) 3.5-3.99**—Kathy Conley, Sabrina Conn, Tara Howard, Megan Robinson. 3.0-3.49—Kelli Campbell, Nathan Duff, Dwight McKinney, Amanda Tackett, Kayla Ward.

**MRS. DEROSSETT (7/8th) 4.0**—Kendra Bailey, Angie Boyd, Carrie Martin, Larry Mullins, Justin Newsome. 3.5-3.99—Shauna Case, Jeremy W. Hayes, Shannon Sizemore, Miranda Stone, Chad Samons. 3.0-3.49—Shane Baldrige, Willie Carver, Ashley Hancock, Jennifer Risner, Rebecca Smith, Megan Hyden.



**Coloring winners at Allen**

Winners of the Champions Against Drugs Coloring Contest at Allen Elementary were Tina Hurd, first place; Kelly Clark, second place; and Alanna Cline, third.

## Prestonsburg Elementary announces honor roll

2ND SIX WEEKS...

4th, Gina Crisp, all A's—John Stephens, Tanvir Salahuddin, Michele Lackey, Trevor Compton, Jesse Chaffin, Savannah Campbell, and Samantha Tussey. 3.00-3.99—Amber McKinney, Cory Tincer, Donald Setser, Shandra Ratliff, Megan Patton, Adam Jennings, Shannon Hicks, Nick Hayden, Huda Haqqani, Laura Hall, Matthew Clouse, Stephanie Carroll, Kristofer Bentley, Desirae Allen, Lisa Wright.

4th, Kaye McGuire, all A's—Tiffany Arms and Alex White. 3.00-3.99—Johnathan Butterworth, Brandon Campbell, Jessica Chandler, Megan Goble, Shalonna Hamilton, Lea Hayton, Eddie McKinzie, Shawn Risner, and Brittany Robinson.

4th, Connie Parsons, 3.00-3.99—Amber Akers, Crystal Ferguson, Kelsey Goble, Zachary Lafferty, Jennifer Prater, and Josh Prater.

4th, Deborah Walker, 3.0-3.99—Justin Collins, Brittany Crum, Kendra Crum, Marie Hall, Brittany Porter, and Casey Price.

5th, Joy Wells Adams, 3.00-3.99—William Lafferty, Daniel Neeley, Heather Spriggs, Tiffany Spurlock.

5th, Debra Holland, all A's—Cody Branham, Kory Caudill, Jonathan Collins, Lindsay Cooley, and Shane Hatfield. 3.00-3.99—Katherine Adams, Amanda Adkins, Tyler Burke, Savannah Collins, Crystal Craft, Sam Hale, Jason Hughes, Nicholas Hughes,

Rebecca Lott, Kate Lowe, Chris Spears, and Brady Wright.

5th, Jennifer Skeens, 3.00-3.99—Courtney Branham, Jarred McGuire, Michael Morrison, Robert Risner, and Kelly Stephens.



**Coloring champion**

Andrea Horn was named Coloring Champion of the Champions Against Drugs Coloring Contest. Andrea is a student at Auxier Elementary.



**Retirement party**

Doris A. Robinson retired after 36 years of service to the teaching profession. Many friends and co-workers attended a surprise party given in her honor. She was presented with a plaque and gift certificates.

## Prater Elementary School honor roll

**FOURTH GRADE, TEACHER, JAMES FRASURE**

A honor roll—Cruise Boyd, Kelley Hall, Shana Prater, Nick Tackett and Lee Chaney.

B honor roll—Tonya Akers, Hanna Blackburn, Jasmine Boyd, April Conn, Adam Goble, Amanda Hamilton, Eric Hughes, Amy Jarvis, Samantha Meade.

**FIFTH GRADE, TEACHER—JAMES FRASURE**

Honor roll—Brad Elkins. **FIFTH GRADE, TEACHER—BONNIE HARMON.**

A honor roll—Brandon Boyd, Diane Boyd, William Hamilton, Brittany Mitchell and Megan Willis.

Honor roll—Robin Boyd, Tiffany Boyd, Lynashley Coleman, Michelle Elkins, Amanda Goble, Nathan Newsome, Brittany Stanley, Krista Slone, Jessee Sword and Crystal Tackett.

**SIXTH GRADE, TEACHER—BONNIE HARMON.**

Honor roll—Shawna Mulkey and Tony Wakeland.

**SIXTH GRADE, TEACHER—**

**CHARLES HICKS**

A honor roll—Tiffany Meade, Dustin Taylor, Triska Conn, Kelly Slone and Elizabeth Hamilton.

Honor roll—Anthony Conn and Rebecca Boyd.

**SEVENTH GRADE, TEACHER—CHARLES HICKS.**

Honor roll—Miranda McKinney, April Boyd and Timmy Boyd.

**SEVENTH GRADE, TEACHER—ZENITH HALL.**

A honor roll—Amanda Adkins, Leigh Ann Carrol, Stephanie Hall, Wesley Meade, Jodi Stapleton, Amanda Walker and Matt Williams.

Honor roll—Angela Akers, Nick Spears and Nina Boyette.

**EIGHTH GRADE, TEACHER—ZENITH HALL.**

A honor roll—Adam Collins, Ben Davis, Shaundra Hall, Sabrina Hughes, Jada Newsome and Jeremy Tackett.

Honor roll—Jennifer Boyd, Bredeanna Conn, Justin Hughes, Tracy Lewis, Amber Roberts, Nathan Slone and April Thacker.

## Harold Forensics team

On Saturday, November 2, the Harold Forensics team attended the Floyd County Invitational Tournament held at McDowell and they received second place overall. Harold's rankings were as followed.

Interp—Jessica Neeley, third place; poetry—Beth Worrix, fifth place; solo—Courtney Reid, fourth place; broadcasting—BreAnna

Harris, second place and Cynthia Taylor, sixth place; declamation—Tim Conn, fourth place and Joseph Ratliff, fifth place; story telling—Stacy Stevens, sixth place; extemp—Billy Newsome, third place and Tiffany Tackett, sixth place; and public speaking—Tyler Harris, first place.

The Harold Forensic's is coached by Loma Harris.



**Safety drill**

Robert Spears, school bus driver for Auxier Elementary School, recently gave the students bus safety training. Spears was efficient and will help ensure the students' safety.

## Family Resource Centers

**Prestonsburg High/Auxier Family Resource and Youth Service Center**

- Beginning December 4, a nurse from the health department will be at Auxier Elementary in the family resource center. Call 889-0135, to make an appointment. WIC, physical exams, flu shots, blood pressure checks and much more.

- Clothing distribution will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, from 2-4 p.m.

- Fluoride treatments every Tuesday.

**Mud Creek Community Family Resource and Youth Service Center**

- A registered nurse from the health department will be at the center two days a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Services include WIC exams, vouchers, TB skin tests, baby shots, physicals and well-child exams. Call for an appointment. Now accepting WIC. Anyone interested in receiving WIC services can call the center. Call the center at 587-2233 for an appointment.

- Clothing bank open to students and public upon request.
- GED classes Friday from 8 a.m. to noon.
- Parent and child education (PACE) classes Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30-11:30 a.m.

For more information, contact

the center at 587-2233.

**McDowell Family Resource Youth Service Center**

- The center now offers parenting videos for parents who have children attending McDowell Elementary and Drift Head Start. The videos offer informative activities, solutions, and alternatives to problems facing all parents. These videos can be borrowed free of charge for one week at the center. The topics range from how to get children to help around the house to helping reduce rebellion.

- Aerobics class every Tuesday,

from 6-7 p.m., \$1 per person.

- Free exercise class every Monday and Tuesday from 6-7 p.m.

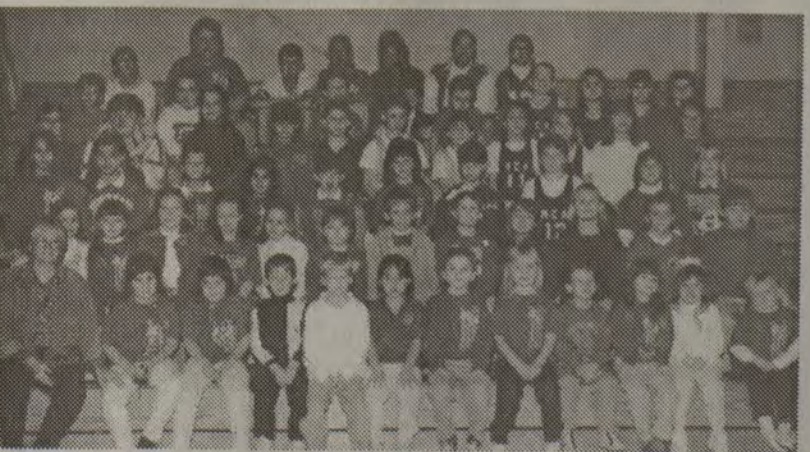
- Line dancing classes every Thursday, from 7-9 p.m., \$4 per person.

- Dr. Norman will be at the center each fourth Thursday. Call for an appointment, 377-2678.

To learn more about the McDowell Family Resource Youth Service Center and what it has to offer, stop by or call 377-2678.

**Mt. Christian Academy**

December 20: Half-day. Christmas break begins.



**Science Club trip**

Mountain Christian Academy's Science Club recently traveled to Huntington, West Virginia. Where they toured the Museum of Radio and Technology, following a lunch break, the students and parents enjoyed an afternoon on ice at the Tri-State Ice Arena, toured the "Tundra" otherwise known as the Huntington Civic Center, and attended a hockey game featuring the Huntington Blizzard and the Toledo Storm.



**Extended School**

Extended School Services at Maytown Elementary is every Tuesday afternoon. For two hours there are many students attending. The teachers are Ruth Ann Castle and Ruby Miller. Some of the activities in the after-school program include a door prize, which may be determined by a number written on the bottom of their snack or a hidden number on the bottom of their chair. Each and every class has something different. The students enjoy playing U.S. bingo...the winner receives a treat from one of the local restaurants. Learning is made fun in after-school.







# Music, Conley combine for 40 points in win over Adams

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Ramanda Music scored 21 points and Amelia Conley added 19 to lead the Allen Lady Eagles to a

61-47 win over the Adams Middle School Lady Blackcats Wednesday night. Brooke Coleman tossed in 11 points for Allen.

Angela Howell and Brittany Hites netted 14 points apiece to lead

Adams. Stephanie Adams scored 13 points.

A 19-9 third quarter run by Allen broke open an otherwise close game. Conley scored nine of her 19 points in the third period to lead

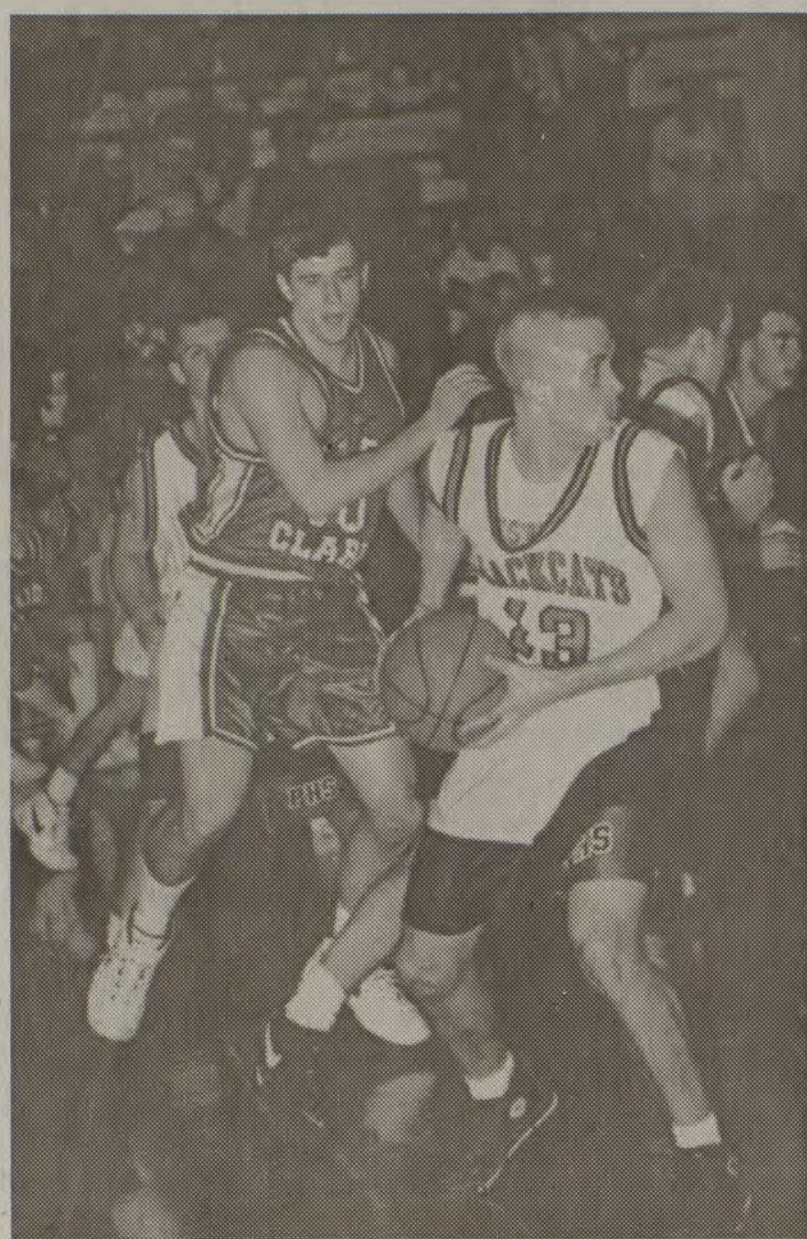
Allen to a 43-27 lead after three quarters. Allen held a slim 24-18 lead at the half.

Allen led 12-8 after the first period behind Music, who scored eight points. Adams had six of the Lady

Blackcats' eight first quarter points. Hites led a 20-18 Adams fourth quarter with seven points. Howell scored six in the same period.

Andrea Fleming had four points for Adams and Ashleigh Ousley

scored two. Chrissy Nelson and Rachel Mitchell netted four points apiece for Allen with Bethany Joseph scoring two points.



**Denying the ball**

Joe Campbell (13), Prestonsburg sophomore, grabbed a rebound over Sheldon Clark's Robbie Swiney last Tuesday night. The Blackcats recorded a 64-46 win over the Cardinals and will return to the hardwood Tuesday night at Elkhorn City. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Trio scores in double figures as Martin Middle School rolls

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Larry Mullins scored 19 points to lead three Martin Middle School players in double figures as the Purple Flash upended Hindman Middle School 70-55 Tuesday night at Hindman.

Patrick Martin added 14 points and Tim Davis finished with 13.

Zack Smith led all scorers with 25 points for Hindman. Gaerith Hall and Ryan Eversole scored 10 points each for Hindman.

Patrick Martin had the hot hand in the first quarter for Martin with 12 points as Martin led 24-18 at the end of the first period. Mullins also had a three-point basket in scoring five points.

Martin went on a 17-9 run in the second period behind Mullins' seven points to lead at the half, 41-25.

Hindman hit four treys in the final period in a comeback attempt. But Martin hit eight of 12 free throws down the stretch to hold off the rally. Smith had two treys in the quarter with Nathan Mullins and Watson hitting one each. Jeremy Hayes scored eight points and Chad Samons added seven for Martin. Henry Napier had four free throws for four points and Dwight McKinney scored three. Brent Rose finished with two.

The win was the fifth straight for Martin, which improved to 10-6 on the season.

In a game played Monday night, Martin posted a 76-38 over Lawrence County in the Middle School Conference. Larry Mullins led the way with 17 points and Jeremy Hayes tossed in 15 points. Patrick Martin netted 13.

Martin dominated the game, leading 20-12 at the end of the first quarter and 34-23 at the half. Mullins scored 11 points in the initial period with Martin scoring five.

Hayes had a three-point basket in the second quarter in scoring seven points, and he burned the nets for eight points in the fourth quarter.

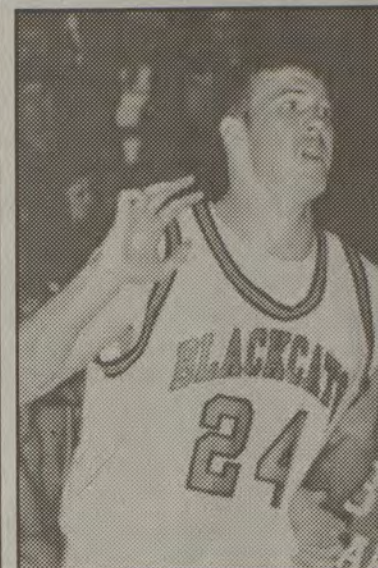
Martin's defense held Lawrence County to just 15 second half points.

Earlier county games had Martin stopping Allen 59-37 as Mullins scored 16 points. Martin and Timmy Davis added nine points each in the win. Henry Napier tossed in eight.

Brandon Branham and Jacob Fitzpatrick led Allen with nine points. Josh Justice had a three-point basket in the first quarter and scored six points in the game. Chris Combs scored three and Nick Clay had two for the Eagles. William Burchett had one point.

Keith Crum had five points for the Purple Flash. Jeremy Hayes scored four while Chad Samons, Brandon Hansford, Brent Rose and Chris Owens had two points each.

## Players of the Week



**Andy Jarvis**

Junior at Prestonsburg  
24 points  
13 rebounds, 8 block shots  
vs. Sheldon Clark

**Jessica Johnson**

Senior at Betsy Layne  
50 points  
12 3-pointers  
vs. Jenkins

## The Floyd County Times

(Selected by Floyd County Times Sports Editor, Ed Taylor)

## Prestonsburg (Continued from eight)

Wes Samons, who finished with seven points, hit a three-pointer to start the second quarter for a 16-11 game. Following a rebound basket by Ronnie Swiney, Prestonsburg scored six unanswered points to lead 22-13.

For the last four minutes of the second quarter, Prestonsburg could not find the basket and went scoreless. Laferty hit a trey and a rebound put back by Jimmy Goble cut the Prestonsburg lead to four, 22-18 at the half.

Three point shooting by Sheldon Clark kept them close as Prestonsburg continued to struggle offensively. The Cards played to within three points of the Blackcats and trailed 35-31 after three quarters.

But the fourth period belonged to the Blackcats as Sheldon Clark could only score three field goals in the first five-plus minutes of the final stanza. The 18-6 spurt netted Prestonsburg a 53-37 lead. Hale completed an old-fashioned three-point play to start the surge.

After Prestonsburg built a 56-41 lead with just over a minute to play, Evans hit his second three-pointer and the Cards made a little noise but could not overcome the big Blackcat lead.

Hale finished with six points for Prestonsburg. Joe Campbell, who had five rebounds, scored four points. Fitzpatrick and Conley finished with two while Jason Keathley scored one.

Evans and Marcum led Sheldon Clark with 10 points each. Kevin Moore netted nine and Laferty tossed in seven. Ronnie Swiney scored eight.

For a first game of the season, Coach Pack said he was not surprised that his team took care of the

basketball with only seven turnovers.

"We have good ball handlers on this team," he said. "We take care of the basketball pretty well. No, that didn't surprise me. Not with ball handlers like Ortega and Samons."

Coach Pack said the effort that Jarvis put forward is something that Prestonsburg will need each night.

"He's the man we have to have," he said. "We have to have that from him every night. He never lets us down. He goes out every night and gives us a good effort. There are going to be nights when he doesn't get 24 points. But it will take an awful good defense to keep him from getting his points."

Prestonsburg (1-0) will return to the hardwood Tuesday night when they travel to Elkhorn City.

### SHELDON CLARK (46)

Player	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Laferty	0	2	2-1	7
Marcum	3	1	3-1	10
Moore	2	1	2-2	9
Goble	1	0	0-0	2
Evans	2	2	0-0	10
Swiney	4	0	0-0	8
totals	12	6	7-4	46

### PRESTONSBURG (64)

Player	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Hale	2	0	3-2	6
Jarvis	9	0	8-6	24
Samons	1	1	2-2	7
Campbell	2	0	0-0	4
Ortega	5	0	14-8	18
Fitzpatrick	1	0	0-0	2
Conley	1	0	0-0	2
Keathley	0	0	2-1	1
totals	21	1	29-19	64

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## A Look At Sports (Continued from eight)

"Hopefully, I will get it before Christmas," said the Lady Rebel coach.

I hope it comes in the next two weeks. Allen Central hosted Pike Central last night (Thursday) and face Phelps at home Monday night. Coach Compton is very deserving of the feat. She is a very hard worker in her profession.

• Congratulations to Auxier's Keith Humble who split \$15,000 with Georgia's Homer Robertson in the Georgia State Bass Fishing Championship held on November 23-24 at West Point Lake. (See story, pic-

ture, this section.)

• The Betsy Layne Youth Basketball League wants to give Bennie Michael and Paulette Lafferty, of Allen, an early Christmas present. They are going to donate all their proceeds at the door on December 22 to the couple to help with expenses for treatment of their five-month-old daughter, Sarah Lafferty.

Folks, there are still some decent people in this old world.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports. Take the kids to Sunday School and church this Sunday.



**Nowhere to go**  
Prestonsburg's Kyle Conley (3) found Sheldon Clark's Kevin Moore (40) in his way during basketball play at Prestonsburg Tuesday night. The Blackcats won their season opener, 64-46. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Betsy Layne Junior Basketball to extend helping hand

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Christmas. A time of giving. For the Betsy Layne Junior Basketball League it is a time to extend a helping hand and a show of love and concern.

On December 22, the Betsy Layne Junior Basketball League will donate the game-day proceeds to Sarah Lafferty, five-month-old daughter of Bennie and Paulette Lafferty of Allen. Sarah has been diagnosed with leukemia and is presently undergoing chemotherapy in Lexington.

"Bennie and family have supported our league and the children of our community for several years, by coaching and volunteering for other things," said Mike Potter, a coach in the league. "We feel, as a league, this is the least we could do for his family who has given so much to the children of our league."

Also included in the day's activities at 4:30 p.m. will be a basketball game between the Kentucky State Police, Post 9, and coaches in the junior basketball league.

"Everyone is welcome," said Potter. "We want to urge everyone to come out and enjoy a day of basketball and support little Sarah."

Basketball activities begin at 1 p.m. at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse.

Pikeville Methodist Hospital  
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